

## FIRST PROTOCOL TO AMEND THE ASEAN TRADE IN GOODS AGREEMENT

The Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), hereinafter collectively referred to as "Member States" or singularly as "Member State":

**RECALLING** the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) signed in Cha-am, Thailand on 26 February 2009;

conscious of the agreed objective of putting in place rules of origin (ROO) which are responsive to the dynamic changes in global production processes so as to facilitate trade and investment among Member States, promote a regional production network, encourage the development of small and medium enterprises and the narrowing of development gaps, and promote the increased usage of the ATIGA, as established under the ASEAN Economic Community Blueprint 2015;

**RECALLING** that, to meet this objective, the Leaders agreed to simplify the Operational Certification Procedure for the ROO and ensure its continuous enhancement;

**RECOGNISING** that the AEC Blueprint 2025 states that ROO implemented by Member States should be simplified, business-friendly and trade-facilitative, to benefit the region's trade, in particular the participation of micro, small and



medium enterprises to encourage them to expand, upgrade, and deepen their linkages within the region;

**DESIRING** to formally implement a regional self-certification scheme;

**RECOGNISING** the need to amend Article 38 of the ATIGA to provide the legal basis for the regional self-certification scheme;

**NOTING** that Article 94(1) of the ATIGA provides for any amendments to the provisions of the Agreement to be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Member States,

#### HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

# Article 1 Amendment to Article 38 (Certificate of Origin)

Article 38 of the ATIGA shall be substituted with the following:

### "Article 38 Proof of Origin

A claim that a good shall be accepted as eligible for preferential tariff treatment shall be supported by a Proof of Origin in accordance with the Operational Certification Procedures as set out in Annex 8."

### Article 2 Final Provisions

- This Protocol shall form an integral part of the ATIGA.
- 2. This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date on which all Member States have notified the



Secretary-General of ASEAN of the completion of their internal procedures. Such notifications should not take more than one hundred and eighty (180) days after the date of signing of this Protocol.

- 3. The Secretary-General of ASEAN shall promptly notify all Member States of the notifications referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article.
- 4. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof to each Member State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed the First Protocol to Amend the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement.

DONE at Ha Noi, Viet Nam this Twelty - Second

Day of January in the Year Two Thousand and Nineteen in a single original copy in the English language.

For Brunei Darussalam:

For the Kingdom of Cambodia:



For the Republic of Indonesia:



For the Lao People's Democratic Republic:



For Malaysia:

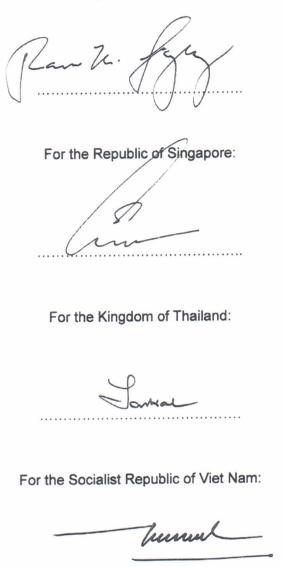


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#### **CERTIFYING STATEMENT**

### The First Protocol to Amend the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement

I, THE UNDERSIGNED Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for Community and Corporate Affairs, hereby certify that the attached text is a true and complete copy of the First Protocol to Amend the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement signed on 22 January 2019 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam.

Jakarta, 14 February 2019

**AKP Mochtan** 

Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN Community and Corporate Affairs Department The ASEAN Secretariat

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Tanggal: 16 Juli 2020

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